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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

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Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/55/745/Add.9) [122]

The General Assembly took note that Saint Vincent and the Grenadines had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reopening of the consideration of agenda item 32 (A/55/L.81) [8]

The General Assembly decided to reopen the consideration of agenda item 32. The Assembly agreed to proceed immediately to the consideration of agenda item 32.

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations: draft resolution (A/55/L.81) [32]

The representative of Hungary made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/55/L.81.

Statements were made by the representatives of Sweden (on behalf of the European Union), Thailand and Bolivia.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 of the thirtieth session of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.81 (resolution 55/254).

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and Turkey.

The observer of Palestine made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The representative of Israel made a statement on a point of order.

The observer of Palestine made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 32.

Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: note by the Secretary-General (A/55/110) [17 (j)]

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, extended the term of office of Mrs. Mary Robinson (Ireland) as High Commissioner for Human Rights for a period of one year, beginning on 12 September 2001 and ending on 11 September 2002.

The representative of Sweden (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (j) of agenda 17.

High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership: letter from the Chairman of the Second Committee (A/55/955) [94 (d)]

The General Assembly decided to consider sub-item (d) of agenda item 94 directly in plenary meeting. It further agreed to proceed immediately to its consideration.

The General Assembly took note of the letter from the Chairman of the Second Committee (A/55/955).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda 94.

Crime prevention and criminal justice [105]

(a) Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (A/55/383/Add.2 and Corr.1 in Chinese only and Add.3)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/383/Add.2, para. 33)

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Committee and orally corrected the draft resolution recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee in paragraph 33 of its report (A/55/383/Add.2).

The representative of Egypt made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime in paragraph 33 of its report (A/55/383/Add.2), as orally corrected by its Chairman (resolution 55/255).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Sweden (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Mexico, Japan, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Kingdom, Argentina, Spain, Canada, Brazil, Israel, Colombia, Chile, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan and India.

The representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Japan made statements on a point of order.

On the proposal of the President, the General Assembly agreed to hear a statement by the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime made a statement.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 105.

Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in all its aspects: draft resolution (A/55/L.83) [179]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 179.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.83 (resolution 55/256).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 179.

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